

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 17 am

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

THIRTY-FIRST LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

BY THE HOUSE RULES COMMITTEE

Amended: 3/17/20

Introduced: 3/16/20

A RESOLUTION

1 **Suspending Rule 23(a), Uniform Rules of the Alaska State Legislature, in response to the**
2 **COVID-19 pandemic.**

3 **BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA:**

4 **WHEREAS** the World Health Organization has declared the disease caused by the
5 novel coronavirus, COVID-19, a pandemic; and

6 **WHEREAS**, on March 11, 2020, the Governor declared a statewide public health
7 disaster emergency to support the response to the COVID-19 disease outbreak; and

8 **WHEREAS** the Uniform Rules of the Alaska State Legislature may be suspended by
9 a two-thirds vote of the full membership of each house;

10 **BE IT RESOLVED** that, under Rule 54, Uniform Rules of the Alaska State
11 Legislature, the provisions of Rule 23(a), Uniform Rules of the Alaska State Legislature,
12 regarding the preceding-Thursdays notice requirement and the five-day notice requirement for
13 a person who chairs a standing or special committee of the House of Representatives or the
14 Senate, are suspended during the Second Regular Session of the Thirty-First Alaska State
15 Legislature to allow committees to consider only legislative measures that substantially relate
16 to, and have as their primary purpose, appropriating, raising, or allocating state revenue,

1 confirming appointments, extending the termination date of a board, commission, or task
2 force, and considering the public health disaster emergency declared by the Governor on
3 March 11, 2020; a person who chairs a standing or special committee of the House of
4 Representatives or the Senate shall post written notice of the time, place, and subject matter of
5 a meeting at least 24 hours before the meeting.